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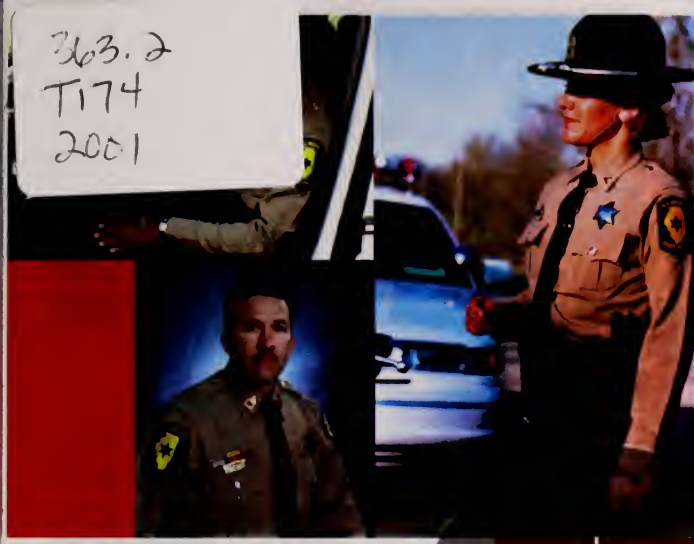

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In 1922, the first statewide police force in Illinois emerged — the Illinois State Police. **The department is now a multi-faceted, full-service law enforcement agency which enforces the laws, protects the public, and provides an array of state-of-the-art specialty services.**

Traditional Role

Illinois State Police Troopers patrol the highways, ensuring safer roadways not only by enforcing speed limits and traffic laws on over 20,000 miles of highway, but also by truck weight inspections and hazardous materials control. The Illinois State Police Academy, located in Springfield, provides cadets with the training and education necessary to successfully function as a Probationary Trooper. This intensive preparation program is approximately 26 weeks in duration, fully residential, physically demanding and competency-based. Cadets reside at the Academy Sunday night through Friday evening.

The Illinois State Police Academy has developed an innovative performance-driven program called Fast Track. This program will allow individuals with prior police experience the opportunity to participate in an accelerated cadet training program! Specifically, those who have within the past year been employed as certified police officers with arrest authority and who have a minimum of six months prior experience (excluding classroom and field training) are eligible to apply. Applicants must meet requirements to be a Trooper before being considered for Fast Track.

Investigative Duties

Plainclothes detectives known as Special Agents use the most advanced equipment and technology to investigate such serious crimes as homicide, sexual assault, narcotics, fraud and forgery. Agents from the Illinois State Police, cooperating with federal and local police agencies, help crack international narcotic rings as well as solve mass murders and apprehend international terrorists.

Special Services

Troopers with unique skills and educational backgrounds have opportunities to work in many specialized areas such as piloting a plane, evaluating and developing a crime scene or handling canines (K-9).

Requirements

The Illinois State Police is currently accepting applications for the position of Trooper; however, candidates must meet the following minimum requirements:

- United States citizen, with no felony convictions.
- Possess a valid driver's license and be willing to accept statewide assignments.
- Associate's Degree in Arts or Science, an Applied Science Associate's Degree in Law Enforcement, or equivalent general education course work, in addition to three years of continuous full-time service as a police officer with the same police agency, **or** Bachelor's Degree.

- If you are 20 years old on the day you apply, or you have a degree in applied science, your degree must be in law enforcement.
- Successfully complete mental and physical tests and a background investigation as prescribed by the ISP Merit Board.

Individuals meeting the requirements apply by completing and submitting a Pre-Employment Inquiry Card (PIC) to the Illinois State Police Merit Board. The Illinois State Police Merit Board will keep the PIC on file and notify candidates about four weeks before the next testing process. This board is a separate entity which certifies applicants, for employment consideration, to the Illinois State Police. An online PIC may be completed at www.illlinoistrooper.com.

The testing process includes a mandatory orientation, random number generator, tactical assessment, physical ability test, suitability screening, polygraph examination, background investigation, suitability interview, oral interview and a medical exam. Candidates ***must*** notify the Illinois State Police Merit Board, in writing, at 3180 Adloff Lane, Springfield, IL 62703-4464 with any information change. The Illinois State Police is an equal opportunity employer.

Organization

Sworn and civilian executives manage six operational and administrative areas:

- **Director's Office** - Assumes responsibility for

the effective management of ISP entities which would include providing legal services and auditing functions.

- **Division of Operations** - Assumes responsibility for day-to-day patrol and law enforcement on interstate and state highways, and for criminal investigations which include fugitive apprehensions and developing strategic and tactical criminal intelligence.
- **Division of Internal Investigation** - Assumes responsibilities for specialized investigations of alleged misconduct by members of the Governor's staff or by any administrator or employee of any executive department or agency under the jurisdiction of the Governor.
- **Division of Forensic Services** - Provides specialized technical and scientific services to the Illinois State Police operational divisions and local criminal justice agencies.
- **Division of Administration** - Assumes responsibility for carrying out diverse administrative functions vital to the operation of the entire department.
- **Human Resource Command** - Assumes responsibility for officer training, recruitment, peer support, a statewide medical response system, human services programs and equal opportunity employment.

- **Information & Technology Command** - Takes full advantage of expanding technology and creates a single source to address the agency's information needs. The Command includes the bureaus responsible for information technology, data collection and analysis, information sharing and knowledge development.

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